

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Ten bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 867–876, and S. Res. 159–161. **Pages S2621–22**

Measures Passed:

Honoring Members of the Military and Intelligence Community: By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 63), Senate agreed to S. Res. 159, honoring the members of the military and intelligence community who carried out the mission that killed Osama bin Laden. **Pages S2604–10**

Military Spouse Appreciation Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 160, designating May 6, 2011, as “Military Spouse Appreciation Day”. **Pages S2636–37**

National Inventors Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 161, designating May 2011, as “National Inventors Month”. **Page S2637**

SBIR/STTR Reauthorization Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the filing deadline for all second-degree amendments to S. 493, to reauthorize and improve the SBIR and STTR programs, be at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, May 4, 2011; provided further, that the cloture vote with respect to S. 493, occur at 12 p.m., on Wednesday, May 4, 2011. **Page S2637**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—63) **Page S2609**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:59 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, May 4, 2011. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S2637.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities concluded a hearing to examine the health and status of the defense industrial base and its science and technology-related elements, after receiving testimony from Frank Kendall, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Zachary J. Lemnios, Assistant Secretary for Research and Engineering, and Brett B. Lambert, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Manufacturing and Industrial Base Policy, all of the Department of Defense; Norman R. Augustine, Lockheed Martin Corporation, Bethesda, Maryland; Jacques S. Gansler, University of Maryland School of Public Policy Center for Public Policy and Private Enterprise, College Park; and Philip A. Odeen, Defense Business Board, North Palm Beach, Florida.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of David S. Cohen, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes, Daniel L. Glaser, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing, and Timothy G. Massad, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of the Treasury, and Wanda Felton, of New York, to be First Vice President, and Sean Robert Mulvaney, of Illinois, to be a Member, both of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

AMERICA'S NATURAL DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine America's natural disaster preparedness, focusing on if Federal investments are paying off, after receiving testimony from William H. Hooke, American Meteorological Society, and Anne S. Kiremidjian, American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), both of Washington, D.C.; Robert Ryan, ABC7/WJLA-TV, Arlington, Virginia; and Clint Dawson, The University of Texas at Austin Institute for Computational Engineering and Sciences Department of Aerospace Engineering and Engineering Mechanics, Austin.

AMERICAN CLEAN ENERGY LEADERSHIP ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the proposal for a Clean Energy Deployment Administration as contained in Title I, Subtitle A of the American Clean Energy Leadership Act of 2009, after receiving testimony from Jonathan Silver, Executive Director, Loan Programs Office, Department of Energy; Dan W. Reicher, Stanford University Steyer-Taylor Center for

Energy Policy and Finance, Palo Alto, California; Kassia Yanosek, Tana Energy Capital LLC, New York, New York; and Christopher Guith, U.S. Chamber of Commerce Institute for 21st Century Energy, Washington, D.C.

TAX BURDENS AND TAX BENEFITS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine if the distribution of tax burdens and tax benefits is equitable, after receiving testimony from Daniel N. Shaviro, New York University Law School, New York, New York; Scott A. Hodge, Tax Foundation, and Alan Reynolds, The Cato Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; and Aviva Aron-Dine, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Department of Economics, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Afghanistan, focusing on what is an acceptable end-state, and how to get there, after receiving testimony from Ronald E. Neumann, American Academy of Diplomacy, Washington, D.C.; Anne-Marie Slaughter, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey; and Richard N. Haass, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York.

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 24 public bills, H.R. 1681–1704; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 240–244, were introduced. **Pages H2998–99**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3000–01**

Reports Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 754, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–72). **Pages H2997–98**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative McClintock to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2937**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:43 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H2941**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Dr. Alan Kieran, Office of the U.S. Senate Chaplain, Washington, DC. **Page H2941**

Committee Re-referral: The House agreed that H.R. 1425 be re-referred to the Committee on Small Business, and in addition, to the Committees on Science, Space, and Technology and Armed Services. **Page H2952**

Repealing mandatory funding provided to States in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to establish American Health Benefit Exchanges: The House passed H.R. 1213, to repeal mandatory funding provided to States in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to establish American Health Benefit Exchanges, by a recorded vote of 238 ayes to 183 noes, Roll No. 285. **Pages H2952–69, H2977–82**

Rejected the Boswell motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce with instructions to report the same to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 190 ayes to 233 noes, Roll No. 284. **Pages H2980–81**

Rejected:

Pallone amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 112–70) that sought to require GAO to report on benefits of funding in setting up state run exchanges